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Hi Everyone,

I am pleased to provide you with a brief update on the Theodore Court Case. Two significant events have occurred since my last letter

On April 28, the Saskatchewan Catholic School Boards Association (SCSBA) announced that an appeal of the recent decision in the Theodore court case will be filed. The decision to appeal has been unanimously endorsed by all eight Catholic school boards in the province.

On May 1, Premier Brad Wall announced the Government of Saskatchewan will protect school choice in Saskatchewan by invoking the notwithstanding clause of *The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*. In a news release, Premier Wall said. "We wanted to announce this now to provide clarity and provide parents with the assurance that they will be able to continue to choose the kind of school they want their children to attend."

This is very good news for you as parents as it removes the uncertainty some of you were feeling after the ruling in the Theodore case. Know that things will continue as usual within our division for the foreseeable future. We will continue to provide the highest quality Catholic education in partnership with our families, church and community for anyone who chooses that for their children. We are proud of the education our Catholic schools provide, and we believe Catholic education matters!

Thank you to all those who have added your voice of support to the Premier, Minister of Education and Leader of Opposition. I continue to remind you to let your elected officials (the Minister of Education Don Morgan, Premier Brad Wall, and Leader of the NDP Trent Wotherspoon) know you endorse the government's actions to support parental choice in education.

You can email a prepared letter at http://www.catholicedspirit.ca/?page_id=30

[Read the Government of Saskatchewan's news release](#)

[Read the SCSBA news release announcing the appeal.](#)

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. Please call your school's principal or me (306.691.2400)

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